MILWAUKEE, WI— Congresswoman Gwen Moore today announced the 2009 High School Congressional Art Competition, inviting students to submit their artwork in order to compete for the opportunity to have their artwork displayed in the U.S. Capitol. The competition, titled An Artistic Discovery, is open to students in grades 9-12 who reside in Wisconsin's Fourth Congressional District.

Students are permitted to submit original, unframed, two-dimensional works of art in the form of paintings, drawings, collage, prints, mixed media, computer-generated art, or photography. Submitted works will be judged by respected local artists based on creativity of concept, originality of execution, and artistic skill, and will be put on display in the lobby of the Chase building in downtown Milwaukee for the general public to enjoy.

Those interested in participating in the competition should talk to their art teacher about obtaining a Student Information Form and Artwork Release from Congresswoman Moore's District Office. This form must be completed and submitted by Monday, April 6, 2009. The artwork submission deadline is Monday, April 20, 2009.

Winners will be announced at the Chase Office Tower exhibit opening and reception at 10:30am (CST) on Saturday, May 2, 2009.

The top winner from each Congressional district is then flown to Washington, D.C. with their parents to be honored alongside other winners. One second place award, one third place award, and four honorable mentions will also be granted.

Wisconsin's Fourth Congressional District consists of the City of Milwaukee, St. Francis, Cudahy, South Milwaukee, West Milwaukee, and part of West Allis.

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